

Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group 1600

**PATENT APPLICATION**

Serial No. 09/242,772  
Atty. Docket No. 3374-990278

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1655 :  
In re application of :  
Willem J.M. VAN DE VEN et al. : **PLAG GENE FAMILY AND**  
Serial No. 09/242,772 : **TUMORIGENESIS**  
Filed June 25, 1999 :  
Examiner – Cynthia B. Wilder :

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
May 29, 2001

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

**BOX AF**  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 26, 2000 of the Primary Examiner. A two-month Petition for Extension of Time and an Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 are filed concurrently herewith.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on May 29, 2001.

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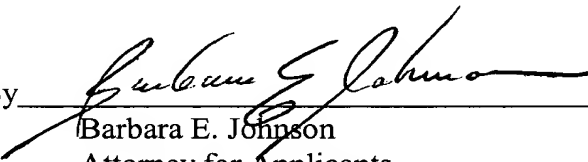
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A check in the amount of \$310.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the Notice of Appeal. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. One (1) original and two (2) copies of this Notice of Appeal are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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